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§0. Introduction

In this article we investigate the following two problems.

Problem(I). Is finite- C^0 - \mathcal{K} -determinacy a topological invariant among analytic map-germs?

Problem(II). Do the topological types of all finitely- C^0 - \mathcal{K} -determined map-germs have topological moduli, i.e. do they have infinitely many topological types with the cardinal number of continuum?

Let $K = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} . Two map-germs f and $g : (K^n, 0) \rightarrow (K^p, 0)$ are topologically equivalent or C^0 - \mathcal{A} -equivalent if there exist germs of homeomorphisms $h_1 : (K^n, 0) \rightarrow (K^n, 0)$ and $h_2 : (K^p, 0) \rightarrow (K^p, 0)$ such that $g = h_2 \circ f \circ h_1$. A map-germ f is finitely- C^0 - \mathcal{A} -determined (or C^0 - \mathcal{A} -finite for short) if there is an integer k such that any germ g with $j^k(g) = j^k(f)$ is C^0 - \mathcal{A} -equivalent to f . This is the topological version of J.Mather's \mathcal{A} -equivalence and \mathcal{A} -determinacy. We can also define C^0 - \mathcal{K} , C^0 - \mathcal{R} , C^0 - \mathcal{L} , C^0 - \mathcal{C} equivalence and their determinacies in a similar way replacing diffeomorphisms in the C^∞ version by homeomorphisms.

We will give a precise definition of C^0 - \mathcal{K} -equivalence at the end of Introduction.

Let $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$ denote the set of all polynomial map-germs : $(\mathbb{K}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}^p, 0)$ with degree $\leq k$ and let $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}}$ denote the set of all finitely- C^0 - \mathcal{K} -determined elements of $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$. Let $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}} / C^0-\mathcal{A}$ denote the set of topological equivalence classes of elements of $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}}$. Then our main results are

Theorem 1. Let $f, g : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ be holomorphic map-germs satisfying the followings;

- (1) f is C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite.
- (2) f and g are C^0 - \mathcal{A} -equivalent.

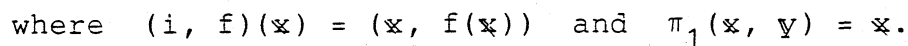
Then g is also C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite.

Theorem 2. $J_{\mathbb{C}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}} / C^0-\mathcal{A}$ is a finite set for any positive integer n, p, k .

Theorem 3. $J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}} / C^0-\mathcal{A}$ is a finite set for $p = 1, 2$, any positive integer n, k .

(2) $J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}} / C^0-\mathcal{A}$ is an infinite set if $n \geq 4, p \geq 4, k \geq 12$. In fact they have topological moduli.

Definition. Two map-germs f and $g : (\mathbb{K}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}^p, 0)$ are C^0 - \mathcal{K} -equivalent if there exist germs of homeomorphisms $h : (\mathbb{K}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}^n, 0)$ and $H : (\mathbb{K}^n \times \mathbb{K}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}^n \times \mathbb{K}^p, 0)$ such that the following diagram commutes:



§1. Remarks/Related topics

(1) The following simple example shows that the real version of theorem 1 does not hold.

Example. $f(x, y) = xy$, $g(x, y) = x^3y$.

Function f is finitely- C^0 - \mathcal{K} -determined but g is not, although f and g are topologically equivalent as real functions.

(2) Let \mathcal{G} be any of $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{R}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{C}$. Then the following questions are more natural to be asked than our problems (I) and (II).

Problem(III). Is finite C^0 - \mathcal{G} -determinacy a C^0 - \mathcal{G} -invariant among analytic map-germs?

Problem(IV). Is $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{G}} / C^0-\mathcal{G}$ a finite set for any positive integer n, p, k ?

We have easily the following answers to these problems.

Problem (III)		$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{A}$	\mathcal{K}	\mathcal{R}	\mathcal{L}	\mathcal{C}
Answer	$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$	No	No	No	No	Yes
	$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$?	?	Yes [*])	?	Yes

^{*}) This is a corollary of Theorem 1 (see the end of §3).

Problem (IV)		$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{A}$	\mathcal{K}	\mathcal{R}	\mathcal{L}	\mathcal{C}
Answer	$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$	finite [12]	finite	finite [6,7]	finite	finite
	$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$	finite ^{**})			?	

^{**}) This is a corollary of Theorem 2.

(3) In his paper [11] in which his second isotopy lemma and his condition a_f were announced for the first time, Thom gave an example of a family of polynomial mappings of \mathbb{R}^3 into \mathbb{R}^3 which contains continuously many topological types. Fukuda [3] and Aoki [2] showed that every family of polynomial functions of several variables or of polynomial map-germs of \mathbb{R}^2 into \mathbb{R}^2 (or \mathbb{C}^2 into \mathbb{C}^2) has only finitely many topological types. Recently Nakai [10] gave examples of families of polynomial map-germs of \mathbb{R}^n into \mathbb{R}^p (or \mathbb{C}^n into \mathbb{C}^p) of degree k with $n, p, k \geq 3$ or $n \geq 3, p \geq 2, k \geq 4$ which contain continuously many topological types.

The examples of Thom and Nakai motivate to consider what will happen if we restrict objects of study within better map-germs, for example finitely- \mathcal{C}^0 - \mathcal{K} -determined ones? Thus arise our problems (I) and (II).

§2. Proof of theorem 1

Theorem 1. Let $f, g : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ be holomorphic map-germs satisfying the followings;

- (1) f is C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite.
- (2) f and g are C^0 - ~~\mathcal{A}~~ -equivalent.

Then g is also C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite.

Proof. If $n < p$, all points $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ are singular points of f . If f is C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite, $f^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ by geometric characterization of C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finiteness ([14]). Hence by hypothesis (2), $g^{-1}(0)$ is also $\{0\}$ as germ. Therefore g is C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite by geometric characterization of C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finiteness.

Hence our interest is essentially in the case $n \geq p$. By the hypothesis (2), we can put

$$g = (h')^{-1} \circ f \circ h$$

on a certain open neighborhood U of 0 in \mathbb{C}^n , where $h : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^n, 0)$ and $h' : (\mathbb{C}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ are germs of homeomorphisms.

Suppose that g is not C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite. Then by geometric characterization of C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finiteness,

$$\overline{\text{Sing}(g) \cap g^{-1}(0) - \{0\}} \ni \{0\},$$

where $\text{Sing}(g) = \{x \in \mathbb{C}^n : x \text{ is a singular point of } g\}$. Since f is C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite, for any $z^0 \in \text{Sing}(g) \cap g^{-1}(0) - \{0\}$ which is sufficiently close to 0 , there exists a sufficiently small positive number ε such that for any positive number $r (r < \varepsilon)$

$$h(r \cdot D^{2n}) \subset \{\text{regular point of } f\}$$

where $r \cdot D^{2n}$ is an open r -disk centered at z^0 in U .

We have

Lemma 1. $h(r \cdot D^{2n})$ is homeomorphic to
 $(f^{-1}(h'(z')) \cap h(r \cdot D^{2n})) \times f(h(r \cdot D^{2n}))$ where $h'(z')$ is an
arbitrary point in $f(h \cdot D^{2n}) - \{0\}$.

We put $f = (f_1, \dots, f_p)$, $g = (g_1, \dots, g_p)$,
 $h' = (h'_1, \dots, h'_p)$ and $z' = (z'_1, \dots, z'_p)$.
 Since $n \geq p$, we may take z' in lemma 1 such that $z'_j \neq 0$
 and $h'_j(z') \neq 0$ for any j ($1 \leq j \leq p$).

$$\begin{aligned} & h(r \cdot D^{2n}) \cap g_j^{-1}(z'_j) \\ &= h(r \cdot D^{2n}) \cap (h \circ (g^{-1}))(\{(z_1, \dots, z_{j-1}, z'_j, z_{j+1}, \dots, z_p) : \\ & z_i \in \mathbb{C} (i \neq j)\}) \\ &= h(r \cdot D^{2n}) \cap (f^{-1}) \circ (h')(\{(z_1, \dots, z_{j-1}, z'_j, z_{j+1}, \dots, z_p) : \\ & z_i \in \mathbb{C} (i \neq j)\}). \end{aligned}$$

By lemma 1, this space is homeomorphic to

$$\begin{aligned} & h(r \cdot D^{2n}) \cap f^{-1}(\{(z_1, \dots, z_{j-1}, h'_j(z'), z_{j+1}, \dots, z_p) : \\ & z_i \in \mathbb{C} (i \neq j), h'_j(z') \neq 0\}) \\ &= h(r \cdot D^{2n}) \cap f_j^{-1}(h'_j(z')). \end{aligned}$$

In particular we have

Lemma 2. The homology of the fiber of Milnor fibration of f_j at $h(z^0)$ and the homology of the fiber of Milnor fibration of g_j at z^0 are isomorphic for any j ($1 \leq j \leq p$).

On the other hand, after a suitable coordinate transformation we have

Lemma 3. (1) z^0 is a singular point of g_j for a certain j ($1 \leq j \leq p$) for $z^0 \in \text{Sing}(g) \cap g^{-1}(0) - \{0\}$.
 (2) $h(z^0)$ is a regular point of f_j for any j ($1 \leq j \leq p$).

Lemma 2 and lemma 3 contradict to A'campo's result ([1]).

The map-germ g must be C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite. \square

Corollary. Let $f, g : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ be holomorphic map-germs satisfying the followings;

- (1) f is C^0 - \mathcal{R} -finite.
- (2) f and g are C^0 - \mathcal{R} -equivalent.

Then g is also C^0 - \mathcal{R} -finite.

Proof of corollary. In fact the above proof of theorem 1 shows that for all holomorphic map-germs $f, g : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ such that $f = (h')^{-1} \circ g \circ h$ as germs at 0, where $h : (\mathbb{C}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^n, 0)$ $h' : (\mathbb{C}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^p, 0)$ are germs of homeomorphisms, $h(\text{Sing}(f)) = \text{Sing}(g)$ as germs at 0. Hence our corollary follows from theorem 1 by geometric characterization of C^0 - \mathcal{R} -finiteness ([14]). \square

§ 3. Thom-Mather's stratification theory

Let X^r and Y^s be differentiable submanifolds of \mathbb{R}^n having dimension r and s respectively. We say the pair (X, Y) satisfies Whitney's condition (a) at a point of Y if for any sequence of points x_i of X such that $x_i \rightarrow y$ and the tangent space $T_{x_i}(X)$ to X at x_i converge to some r -plane $\tau(\subset \mathbb{R}^n)$, we have $T_y(Y) \subset \tau$. We say that (X, Y) satisfies Whitney's condition (b) at a point y of Y if for any sequences $\{x_i \in X\}$ and $\{y_i \in Y\}$ such that $x_i \neq y_i$, $x_i \rightarrow y$ and $y_i \rightarrow y$ and such that $T_{x_i}(X)$ converge to some r -plane $\tau(\subset \mathbb{R}^n)$ and the secants $\overline{x_i y_i}$ joining x_i with y_i converge to some line $\ell(\subset \mathbb{R}^n)$, we have $\ell \subset \tau$. Note that condition (b) is stronger than condition (a).

We say (X, Y) satisfies condition (a) (resp. (b)) if it satisfies condition (a) (resp. (b)) at every point y of Y .

A Whitney stratification of a subset E of \mathbb{R}^n is a family $S = \{X_i\}$ of connected smooth submanifolds of \mathbb{R}^n , called strata of S , such that the strata are pairwise disjoint, any pair (X, Y) of strata of S satisfies Whitney's condition (a) and (b), the family S is locally finite and for any pair X and Y of strata of S if $\overline{X} \cap Y \neq \emptyset$, then we have $\partial X \supset Y$.

A set with one of its stratification is called a stratified set. Let $S(E)$ and $S(F)$ be Whitney stratifications of sets $E(\subset \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $F(\subset \mathbb{R}^p)$. A continuous mapping $f : E \rightarrow F$ is a stratified mapping if it is extendable to a smooth mapping of a neighborhood of E in \mathbb{R}^n into \mathbb{R}^p and if for any stratum X of $S(E)$, $f(X)$ is contained in a stratum Y of $S(F)$ and $f|X : X \rightarrow Y$ is a submersion.

Let X and Y be smooth submanifolds of \mathbb{R}^n and let $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ be a smooth mapping defined in a neighborhood U of $X \cup Y$ in \mathbb{R}^n . Suppose that the restricted mapping $f|X : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ and $f|Y : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ are of constant ranks. We say that the pair (X, Y) satisfies condition a_f if for any point y of Y and for any sequence $\{x_i \in X\}$ converging to y such that the sequence of the planes $\ker(d(f|X)_{x_i})$ converges to a plane κ , we have $\ker(d(f|Y)_y) \subset \kappa$. Where $\ker(d(f|X)_x)$ denotes the kernel of the differential

$$d(f|X)_x : T_x(X) \rightarrow T_{f(x)}(\mathbb{R}^p)$$

of $f|X$ at x .

A Thom mapping $f : E \rightarrow F$ is a stratified mapping such that any pair of strata of $S(E)$ satisfies condition a_f .

Proposition 1. (Thom's local isotopy lemma) Let $f : E \rightarrow F$ be a Thom mapping and let $g : F \rightarrow V$ be a stratified mapping with respect to stratifications $S(E)$, $S(F)$ and $\{V\}$, where V is a connected smooth manifold and E and F are locally compact. If points p and q of E belong to the same stratum of E , then the germ at p of the restriction $f|_{A_{g(f(p))}} : A_{g(f(p))} \rightarrow B_{g(f(p))}$ and the germ at q of the restriction $f|_{A_{g(f(q))}} : A_{g(f(q))} \rightarrow B_{g(f(q))}$ are C^0 -~~A~~-equivalent, where $A_{g(f(p))} = (g \circ f)^{-1}(g(f(p)))$ and $B_{g(f(p))} = g^{-1}(g(f(p)))$.

Let A be a semi-algebraic set. Then a semi-algebraic stratification of A is a Whitney stratification of A such that each stratum of A is a semi-algebraic set and the number of these strata is finite.

Proposition 2. Let $A, C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $B, D \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ be semi-algebraic sets such that $A \subset C$ and $B \subset D$. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ be a polynomial map with $f(C) \subset D$. Then there exist semi-algebraic stratifications $S(C)$ and $S(D)$ such that the map $f|_C : C \rightarrow D$ is a stratified map and A and B are stratified subsets of C and D respectively. Moreover given any semi-algebraic stratifications $S(C)$ and $S(D)$, there exist semi-algebraic refinements $S'(C)$ of $S(C)$ and $S'(D)$ of $S(D)$ such that the map $f|_C : C \rightarrow D$ is a stratified map and A and B are stratified subsets of C and D respectively.

For the proof of proposition 1, see [8] or [4] and for the proof of proposition 2, see [3].

§ 4. Proofs of theorem 2 and theorem 3(1)

We identify \mathbb{C}^n with \mathbb{R}^{2n} . We also identify $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$ not only with the set of polynomial mappings of $(\mathbb{K}^n, 0)$ into $(\mathbb{K}^p, 0)$ with degree $\leq k$, but also with an Euclidean space $\mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p n}$ of a suitable dimension $\varepsilon p n$ ($\varepsilon = 1$ if $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ and $\varepsilon = 2$ if $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$) as usual.

Under these identification the mapping

$$F : J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \longrightarrow J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p}$$

defined by $F(f, x) = (f, f(x))$ can be considered as a real polynomial mapping, where $f \in J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n}$ and $\varepsilon = 1$ if $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or $\varepsilon = 2$ if $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$.

Lemma 4. $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{\mathbb{C}^0 - \chi}$ is a semi-algebraic subset in $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \cong \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p n}$.

Proof of lemma 4. By geometric characterization, for each f in $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$, f is contained in $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{\mathbb{C}^0 - \chi}$ if and only if there exists a neighborhood V of 0 in \mathbb{K}^n such that $V \cap \text{Sing}(f) \cap f^{-1}(0) - \{0\} = \emptyset$, which is equivalent that there exists a neighborhood V of 0 in $\mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n}$ such that

$$(\{f\} \times V) \cap \text{Sing}(F) \cap F^{-1}(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \{0\}) - \{f \times 0\} = \emptyset.$$

Clearly $A \subset \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n}$ comprising all quadruplets (t, y, f, x) with $(f, x) \in F^{-1}(\emptyset) \cap \text{Sing}(F) - J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \{\emptyset\}$ and $|x - y| < t$ is semi-algebraic. Now consider the following polynomial projections;

$$(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \xrightarrow{p_1} \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \xrightarrow{p_2} \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \xrightarrow{p_3} J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) .$$

Tarski-Seidenberg theorem implies

$$(\mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) - p_2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) - p_1(A))) \cap (\{\emptyset\} \times J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p))$$

is semi-algebraic. This set is denoted by B.

A minor computation verifies that

$$J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{C^0 - \chi} = J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) - p_3(B),$$

which is also semi-algebraic. \square

Now we consider the following sequence;

$$J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \xrightarrow{F} J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p} \xrightarrow{\pi} J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$$

where π is the canonical projection. Since F and π are polynomial mappings, by proposition 2 and lemma 4 there exist semi-algebraic stratifications $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n})$, $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p})$ and $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p))$ with which F and π are stratified mappings and $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \{\emptyset\}$, $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \{\emptyset\}$ and $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)_{C^0 - \chi}$ are stratified subsets of $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n}$, $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p}$ and $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n, p)$ respectively.

Remark that $\text{Sing}(F)$ is a stratified subset of the set $J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n,p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n}$. Then for each stratum Z of $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n,p)_{C^0-\chi})$, the sequence of restricted mappings,

$$(*) \quad Z \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n} \xrightarrow{F} Z \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p} \xrightarrow{\pi} Z$$

is also a sequence of stratified maps with the canonically induced semi-algebraic stratifications $S(Z \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n})$, $S(Z \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p})$ and $\{Z\}$ from $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n,p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n})$, $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n,p) \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p})$ and $S(J_{\mathbb{K}}^k(n,p))$ respectively, where F and π in $(*)$ stand for $F|_{Z \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon n}}$ and $\pi|_{Z \times \mathbb{R}^{\varepsilon p}}$ respectively. We use this sequence $(*)$ to prove theorem 2 and theorem 3(1).

Proof of theorem 2.

Theorem 2. $J_{\mathbb{C}}^k(n,p)_{\mathbb{C}^0-\chi}/\mathbb{C}^0-\chi$ is a finite set for any positive integer n, p, k .

Proof. We consider the stratified sequence (*). We want to state that for each stratum Z of $S(J_{\mathbb{C}}^k(n,p)_{\mathbb{C}^0-\chi})$ there exists a semi-algebraic stratification $S'(Z)$ of Z such that for each stratum W of $S'(Z)$ there exists a semi-algebraic neighborhood U_W of $W \times \{0\}$ in $W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ and the restricted mapping

$$U_W \xrightarrow{F} W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p}$$

is a Thom mapping with respect to the canonically induced semi-algebraic stratifications $S((W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap U_W), S(W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p})$.

By geometric characterization, any mapping $f \in Z$ has the condition that $\text{Sing}(f) \cap f^{-1}(0) - \{0\} = \emptyset$ as germs. It is well-known that if $\text{Sing}(f) \cap f^{-1}(0) - \{0\} = \emptyset$ as germs then there exists a neighborhood U of 0 in \mathbb{C}^n such that the restriction

$$f|_{U \cap \text{Sing}(f)} : U \cap \text{Sing}(f) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^p$$

is proper and finite to one. As $\text{Sing}(F) = \{(f, \text{Sing}(f)) | f \in J_{\mathbb{C}}^k(n,p)\}$, we can deduce that there exists a semi-algebraic stratification $S'(Z)$ of Z such that for any stratum W of $S'(Z)$ there exists a semi-algebraic neighborhood U_W of $W \times \{0\}$ in $W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ and the restricted mapping

$$U_W \cap \text{Sing}(F) \xrightarrow{F} W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p}$$

is proper and finite to one.

Also the restricted mapping

$$U_W \xrightarrow{F} W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p}$$

is a stratified mapping with respect to the canonically induced semi-algebraic stratifications $S((W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap U_W)$, $S(W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p})$ and $U_W \cap \text{Sing}(F)$ is a stratified subset of $(W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap U_W$.

For any point $(f, x) \in U_W \cap \text{Sing}(F)$, as the restricted mapping $U_W \cap \text{Sing}(F) \xrightarrow{F} W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p}$ is proper and finite to one, $\ker(d(F|X)_{(f,x)}) = \emptyset$, where X is a stratum of the stratification $S((W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap U_W)$ which contains (f, x) . For any pair of non-singular strata (X, Y) such that $X, Y \in S(W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap U_W$ and $\bar{X} \supset Y$, where non-singular means that for any point $(f, x) \in Y$ $(f, x) \notin U_W \cap \text{Sing}(F)$, the pair (X, Y) always satisfies condition a_f .

These observations show that the restricted mapping

$$U_W \xrightarrow{F} W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p}$$

is a Thom mapping with respect to the canonically induced semi-algebraic stratifications $S((W \times \mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap U_W)$, $S(W \times \mathbb{R}^{2p})$.

Now the proof of theorem 2 follows from proposition 1. \square

Proof of theorem 3(1).

Theorem 3(1). $J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n, p)_{C^0 - \chi/C^0 - \mathcal{A}}$ is a finite set for $p = 1, 2$, and for any positive integers n, k .

Proof. In the function case, that is $p = 1$, for any positive integers n, k , our theorem is contained in the local case of Fukuda's theorem [3]. So we prove our theorem only in the case $p = 2$.

Consider the stratified sequence (*). Let X, Y be strata of $S(Z \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ such that $\bar{X} = X \cup Z \times \{0\}$, $\bar{Y} = Y \cup Z \times \{0\}$ and $\bar{X} \supset Y$, where \bar{X} denotes the closure of X in $Z \times \mathbb{R}^n$. Let \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} be strata of $S(Z \times \mathbb{R}^2)$ such that $F(X) \subset \tilde{X}$ and $F(Y) \subset \tilde{Y}$. In the case $\tilde{X} = \tilde{Y}$, the existence theorem of tubular neighborhoods of strata shows that the pair (X, Y) satisfies condition a_f (see [8]).

There are three possibilities of dimensions of a pair of strata (\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) when $\tilde{X} \neq \tilde{Y}$ and $\tilde{X} \supset \tilde{Y}$ as follows, where \tilde{X} denotes the closure of \tilde{X} in $Z \times \mathbb{R}^2$.

$\dim \tilde{X}$	$\dim \tilde{Y}$
$2 + \dim Z$	$1 + \dim Z$
$2 + \dim Z$	$0 + \dim Z$
$1 + \dim Z$	$0 + \dim Z$

(I) The case $(\dim \widetilde{X}, \dim \widetilde{Y}) = (2 + \dim Z, 0 + \dim Z)$ or $(1 + \dim Z, 0 + \dim Z)$.

In this case, by geometric characterization and $\text{Sing}(F) = \{(f, \text{Sing}(f)) \mid f \in J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n, p)\}$, there exists a semi-algebraic neighborhood U_Z of $Z \times \{0\}$ in $Z \times \mathbb{R}^n$ such that the pair $(X \cap U_Z, Y \cap U_Z)$ is a non-singular pair. Hence the pair $(X \cap U_Z, Y \cap U_Z)$ satisfies condition a_f .

(II) The case $(\dim \widetilde{X}, \dim \widetilde{Y}) = (2 + \dim Z, 1 + \dim Z)$.

It is sufficient to consider only the case $Y \subset \text{Sing}(F)$. In this case there exists a semi-algebraic neighborhood U_Z of $Z \times \{0\}$ in $Z \times \mathbb{R}^n$ such that for each point $(f^0, x^0) \in Y \cap U_Z$, $\text{rank} F$ at (f^0, x^0) is $1 + \dim J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n, 2)$. By suitable analytic coordinate transformations we can assume that $F(f, x) = (f, x_1, g(f, x_1, \dots, x_n))$ in a sufficiently small neighborhood $V_{(f^0, x^0)}$ of (f^0, x^0) in U_Z , where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $g : V_{(f^0, x^0)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an analytic function.

We set $x^0 = (x_1^0, \dots, x_n^0)$ under this coordinate chart.

We also set

$$D = \{(f, x) \in V_{(f^0, x^0)} \mid x_1 = x_1^0, f = f^0\},$$

$$D' = \{(f, x) \in V_{(f^0, x^0)} \mid x_1 = x_1^0\} \text{ and}$$

$$\widetilde{D} = \{(f, y_1, y_2) \in Z \times \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (f, y_1, y_2) \in F(V_{(f^0, x^0)}), y_1 = x_1^0\}.$$

We may assume that $g^{-1}(g(f^0, x^0)) \cap V_{(f^0, x^0)} = Y \cap D'$.

In the sufficiently small neighborhood $V_{(f^0, x^0)}$ of (f^0, x^0) in U_Z , we can assume that the stratum Y is transversal to the submanifold D . Since the mapping $g : V_{(f^0, x^0)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function, the existence theorem of a good stratification implies that there exists a stratification $S(Y \cap D)$ such that the restricted function

$$g|_{(X \cup Y) \cap D} : (X \cup Y) \cap D \rightarrow (\tilde{X} \cup \tilde{Y}) \cap \tilde{D}$$

is a Thom mapping with respect to the stratifications $\{X \cap D, S(Y \cap D)\}$ and $\{\tilde{X} \cap \tilde{D}, \tilde{Y} \cap \tilde{D}\}$ (see [5] or [3]).

We also see that in the sufficiently small neighborhood $V_{(f^0, x^0)}$ of (f^0, x^0) in U_Z , the restricted mapping

$$F|_{X \cup Y} : X \cup Y \rightarrow \tilde{X} \cup \tilde{Y}$$

is considered as an analytically trivial unfolding of the restricted function

$$g|_{(X \cup Y) \cap D} : (X \cup Y) \cap D \rightarrow (\tilde{X} \cup \tilde{Y}) \cap \tilde{D}.$$

Therefore the restricted mapping

$$F|_{(X \cup Y) \cap V_{(f^0, x^0)}} : (X \cup Y) \cap V_{(f^0, x^0)} \rightarrow (\tilde{X} \cup \tilde{Y})$$

is a Thom mapping with respect to the canonically extended stratifications from $\{X \cap D, S(Y \cap D)\}$ and $\{\tilde{X} \cap \tilde{D}, \tilde{Y} \cap \tilde{D}\}$.

By the above (I) and (II), we see that for each stratum Z of $S(J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n,2)_{C^0-\chi})$ there exist a neighborhood U_Z of 0 in $Z \times \mathbb{R}^n$ and stratifications $S''(Z \times \mathbb{R}^n)$, $S''(Z \times \mathbb{R}^2)$ such that the restricted mapping

$$F|_{U_Z} : U_Z \rightarrow Z \times \mathbb{R}^2$$

is a Thom mapping with respect to the canonically induced stratifications $S''((Z \times \mathbb{R}^n) \cap U_Z)$, $S''(Z \times \mathbb{R}^2)$.

Now the proof of theorem 3(2) follows from proposition 1. □

§ 5. Thom's example

Let $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} and let $f, g : \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^p$ be C^∞ (for $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$) or holomorphic (for $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$) mappings. We say f and g are topologically equivalent if there are homeomorphisms $h : \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n$ and $h' : \mathbb{K}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^p$ such that $f = (h')^{-1} \circ g \circ h$.

In [11], Thom considered the following one-parameter real polynomial mapping family $P(k) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, where k is a real parameter, and he proved that if any two fixed real numbers k_1, k_2 are not equal then $P(k_1)$ and $P(k_2)$ are not topologically equivalent.

$$P(k) : \begin{cases} X = [x(x^2+y^2-a^2)-2ayz]^2[(x+ky)(x^2+y^2-a^2)-2a(y-kx)z]^2 \\ Y = x^2+y^2-a^2 \\ Z = z \end{cases}$$

where $(x, y, z), (X, Y, Z)$ are coordinates of the source space and the target space respectively, a is a non-zero fixed real number and k is a real parameter.

In this section, we recall quickly Thom's idea of proof, which is used in the proof of theorem 3(2).

Thom's idea of proof.

Let k_0 be a fixed real number. We consider the following surface $H(k_0)$ and circle $C(k_0)$.

$$H(k_0) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid [x(x^2+y^2-a^2)-2ayz]^2[(x+k_0y)(x^2+y^2-a^2)-2a(y-k_0x)z]^2 = 0\}$$

$$C(k_0) = \{(x, y, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2+y^2-a^2 = 0\}$$

Then $C(k_0) \subset H(k_0)$ and $C(k_0) \subset \text{Sing}(P(k_0))$.

We also consider the following two surfaces $H_1(k_0)$ and $H_2(k_0)$.

$$H_1(k_0) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x(x^2+y^2-a^2)-2ayz = 0\}$$

$$H_2(k_0) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (x+k_0y)(x^2+y^2-a^2)-2a(y-k_0x)z = 0\}$$

Then $H(k_0) = H_1(k_0) \cup H_2(k_0)$ and $H_1(k_0) \cap H_2(k_0) = C(k_0) \cup \{(0, 0, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$.

Furthermore we have

$$P(k_0)(H_1(k_0) \cap \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \ell x + my = 0\})$$

$$= \{(0, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid mY + 2a\ell Z = 0\}$$

$$P(k_0)(H_2(k_0) \cap \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \ell x + my = 0\})$$

$$= \{(0, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (m-k_0\ell)Y + 2a(\ell+k_0m)Z = 0\}$$

for any two real numbers ℓ, m such that $\ell^2 + m^2 \neq 0$.

Now if there exist homeomorphisms $h, h' : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $P(k_0) = (h')^{-1} \circ P(k_1) \circ h$ for any two fixed non-zero real numbers k_0, k_1 ($k_0 \neq k_1$), then we have the following.

Lemma 5. (1) $h(H(k_0)) = H(k_1)$.

(2) $h(C(k_0)) = C(k_1)$.

(3) For any germ of continuous curve $q(t)$ at any point $p \in C(k_0)$ (resp. $C(k_1)$) in $H(k_0)$ (resp. $H(k_1)$), $P(k_0)$ (resp. $P(k_1)$) maps $q(t)$ to a germ of continuous curve at $(0, 0, 0) \in \{(0, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$ in $\{(0, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$ and this germ of curve has a tangent line at $(0, 0, 0)$.

By this fact, if k_0, k_1 are both non-zero, then the restricted homeomorphism $h|_{C(k_0)} : C(k_0) \rightarrow C(k_1)$ must have the property that for any two points $x, y \in C(k_0)$ such that $\angle \widehat{xy} = \tan^{-1}(k_0)$ $\angle \widehat{h(x)h(y)} = \tan^{-1}(k_1)$. But this contradicts to Van Kampen's theorem in [13].

Remark. It is easily seen that if we change the one-parameter real polynomial mapping family $P(k) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ to $\widetilde{P}(k) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ as follows, then we also have the property that if $k_0 \neq k_1$ then $P(k_0)$ and $P(k_1)$ are not topologically equivalent.

$$\widetilde{P}(k) : \begin{cases} X = [x(x^2+y^2-a^2)-yz]^2[(x+ky)(x^2+y^2-a^2)-(y-kx)z]^2 \\ Y = x^2+y^2-a^2 \\ Z = z \end{cases}$$

§6. Proof of theorem 3(2)

Theorem 3(2). $J_{\mathbb{R}}^k(n, p)_{C^0-\mathcal{K}/C^0-\mathcal{A}}$ is an infinite set if $n \geq 4, p \geq 4, k \geq 12$. In fact they have topological moduli.

Proof. We divide the conditions on dimensions into the following three cases.

(Case I) $n = 4, p \geq 4$.

(Case II) $n \leq p, n > 4$.

(Case III) $n > p, p \geq 4$.

Proof in case I. Let $\widetilde{Q}(k) : (\mathbb{R}^4, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^4, 0)$ be a one-parameter polynomial map-germ family defined as follows;

$$\widetilde{Q}(k) : \begin{cases} X = [x(x^2+y^2-u^2)-yz]^2[(x+ky)(x^2+y^2-u^2)-(y-kx)z]^2 \\ Y = x^2+y^2-u^2 \\ Z = z \\ U = u^2 \end{cases}$$

where $(x, y, z, u), (X, Y, Z, U)$ are coordinates of the source and the target spaces respectively and k is a real parameter. Let $P'(k)$ be a one-parameter polynomial map-germ family defined as follows;

$$P'(k) : (\mathbb{R}^4, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$$

$$P'(k)(x, y, z, u) = (\widetilde{Q}(k), 0).$$

For any fixed k_0 , $P'(k_0)^{-1}(\{0\}) = \{0\}$. So $P'(k_0)$ is a C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite polynomial map-germ by geometric characterization of C^0 - \mathcal{K} -finiteness.

Let $H'_1(k_0)$, $H'_2(k_0)$, $H'(k_0)$ and $C'(k_0)$ be as follows;

$$H'_1(k_0) = \{(x, y, z, u) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid x(x^2 + y^2 - u^2) - yz = 0\},$$

$$H'_2(k_0) = \{(x, y, z, u) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid (x + k_0 y)(x^2 + y^2 - u^2) - (y - k_0 x)z = 0\},$$

$$H'(k_0) = H'_1(k_0) \cup H'_2(k_0),$$

$$C'(k_0) = \{(x, y, 0, u) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid x^2 + y^2 - u^2 = 0\}.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & P(k_0)(H'_1(k_0) \cap \{(x, y, z, u) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid \ell x + my = 0\}) \\ &= \{(0, y, z, u, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^p \mid my + \ell z = 0\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & P(k_0)(H'_2(k_0) \cap \{(x, y, z, u) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid \ell x + my = 0\}) \\ &= \{(0, y, z, u, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^p \mid (m - k_0 \ell)y + (\ell + k_0 m)z = 0\}, \end{aligned}$$

for any two real numbers ℓ, m such that $\ell^2 + m^2 \neq 0$.

If there are germs of homeomorphisms $h : (\mathbb{R}^4, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^4, 0)$, $h' : (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ such that $P'(k_0) = (h')^{-1} \circ P'(k_1) \circ h$ as germs at 0 for any two fixed non-zero real numbers k_0, k_1 ($k_0 \neq k_1$), then we have the following lemma like lemma 5 in §6.

Lemma 6. (1) $h(H'(k_0)) = H'(k_1)$ as germs at 0.

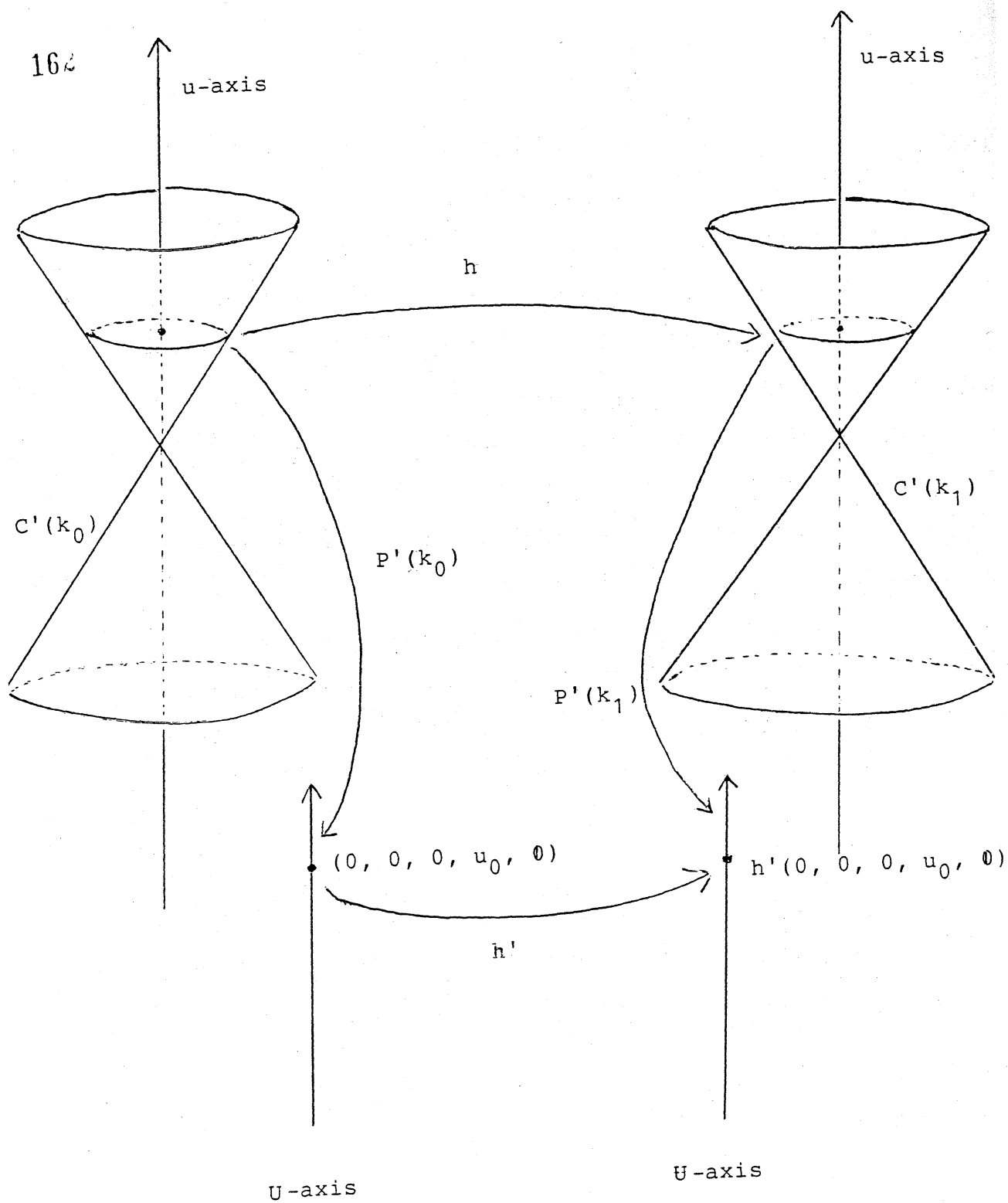
(2) $h(C'(k_0)) = C'(k_1)$ as germs at 0.

(3) $h(C'(k_0) \cap P'(k_0)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, u_0, 0))) =$
 $C'(k_1) \cap P'(k_1)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, h'_4((0, 0, 0, u_0, 0)), 0))$ as germs
at 0 for any real number u_0 close to zero and h'_4 is the forth
component function of h' (see Figure I).

(4) For any germ of continuous curve $q(t)$ at any point
 $p = (x, y, 0, u) \in C'(k_0)$ (resp. $C'(k_1)$) in $H'(k_0)$ (resp. $H'(k_1)$),
 $P'(k_0)$ (resp. $P'(k_1)$) maps $q(t)$ to a germ of continuous curve
at $(0, 0, 0, u^2, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ in $\{(0, y, z, u, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^p\}$ and $\pi \circ P'(k_0)(q(t))$
(resp. $\pi \circ P'(k_1)(q(t))$) is a germ of continuous curve at $(0, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3$
in $\{(0, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$ and this germ of curve has a tangent line
at $(0, 0, 0)$, where $\pi : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a natural projection
 $(X, Y, Z, U, v_1, \dots, v_{p-4}) \mapsto (X, Y, Z).$

The proof of lemma 6 is analogous to lemma 5 and we omit it.

By this lemma, we have a contradiction to Van Kampen's
 theorem as same as Thom's proof. \square



(FIGURE I)

Proof in case II. Let $P''(k)$ be a one-parameter polynomial map-germ family as follows;

$$P''(k) : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$$

$$P''(k)(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}) = (\tilde{Q}(k)(x, y, z, u), v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}, 0)$$

where $(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4})$ is a coordinate of the source space and $\tilde{Q}(k)$ is as before.

For any fixed k_0 , $P''(k_0)^{-1}(\{0\}) = \{0\}$. So $P''(k_0)$ is a c^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite polynomial map-germ.

Let $H''(k_0)$ and $C''(k_0)$ be as follows;

$$H''(k_0) = \{(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid [x(x^2+y^2-u^2)-yz][(x+k_0y)(x^2+y^2-u^2)-(y-k_0x)z] = 0\},$$

$$C''(k_0) = \{(x, y, 0, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x^2+y^2-u^2 = 0\}.$$

If there are germs of homeomorphisms $h : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, 0)$
 $h' : (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ such that $P''(k_0) = (h')^{-1} \circ P''(k_0) \circ h$ as germs
 at 0 for any two fixed real numbers k_0, k_1 ($k_0 \neq k_1$), then we
 have the following lemma, which is analogous to lemma 6.

Lemma 7. (1) $h(H''(k_0)) = H''(k_1)$ as germs at 0.

(2) $h(C''(k_0)) = C''(k_1)$ as germs at 0.

(3) $h(C''(k_0) \cap P''(k_0)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, u^0, v_1^0, \dots, v_{n-4}^0, 0))) =$
 $C''(k_1) \cap P''(k_1)^{-1}(h'((0, 0, 0, u^0, v_1^0, \dots, v_{n-4}^0, 0)))$ as germs at 0
for any real numbers $u^0 (\geq 0), v_1^0, \dots, v_{n-4}^0$ sufficiently close
to zero.

(4) For any germ of continuous curve $q(t)$ at any point
 $p = (x, y, 0, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}) \in C''(k_0)$ (resp. $C''(k_1)$) in $H''(k_0)$
(resp. $H''(k_1)$), $P''(k_0)$ (resp. $P''(k_1)$) maps $q(t)$ to a germ of
continuous curve at $(0, 0, 0, u^2, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^p$
in $\{(0, Y, Z, U, v_1, \dots, v_{n-4}, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^p\}$ and $\pi \circ P''(k_0)(q(t))$
(resp. $\pi \circ P''(k_1)(q(t))$) is a germ of continuous curve at $(0, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3$
in $\{(0, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$ and this germ of curve has a tangent line at
 $(0, 0, 0)$, where $\pi : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a natural projection
 $(X, Y, Z, U, v_1, \dots, v_{p-4}) \mapsto (X, Y, Z).$

The proof of this lemma 7 is almost as same as one of lemma 6
and we omit it.

This lemma 7 yields a contradiction to Van Kampen's theorem.

□

Proof in case III. Let $\hat{Q}(k)$ be a one-parameter polynomial map-germ family as follows;

$$\hat{Q}(k) : (\mathbb{R}^{n-p+4}, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^4, 0)$$

$$\hat{Q}(k) : \begin{cases} X = [x(x^2+y^2-u^2-v_1^2-\dots-v_{n-p}^2)-yz]^2 \times \\ \quad [(x+ky)(x^2+y^2-u^2-v_1^2-\dots-v_{n-p}^2)-(y-kx)z]^2 \\ Y = x^2+y^2-u^2-v_1^2-\dots-v_{n-p}^2 \\ Z = z \\ U = u^2+v_1^2+\dots+v_{n-p}^2 \end{cases}$$

where $(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p})$, (X, Y, Z, U) are coordinates of the source and the target spaces respectively and k is a parameter. Let $P'''(k)$ be a one-parameter polynomial map-germ as follows;

$$P'''(k) : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$$

$$P'''(k)(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}, w_1, \dots, w_{p-4})$$

$$= (\hat{Q}(k)(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}), w_1, \dots, w_{p-4}).$$

For any fixed k_0 , $P'''(k_0)^{-1}(\{0\}) = \{0\}$. So $P'''(k_0)$ is c^0 - \mathcal{K} -finite.

Let $H'''(k_0)$ and $C'''(k_0)$ be as follows;

$$H'''(k_0) = \{(x, y, z, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}, w_1, \dots, w_{p-4}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid$$

$$[x(x^2+y^2-u^2-v_1^2-\dots-v_{n-p}^2)-yz] \times$$

$$[(x+k_0y)(x^2+y^2-u^2-v_1^2-\dots-v_{n-p}^2)-(y-k_0x)z] = 0\}.$$

$$C'''(k_0) = \{(x, y, 0, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}, w_1, \dots, w_{p-4}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x^2 + y^2 - u^2 - v_1^2 - \dots - v_{n-p}^2 = 0\}.$$

If there are germs of homeomorphisms $h : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, 0)$, $h' : (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ such that $P'''(k_0) = (h')^{-1} \circ P'''(k_1) \circ h$ as germs at 0 for any two fixed non-zero real numbers k_0, k_1 ($k_0 \neq k_1$), then we have the following lemma, which is analogous to lemma 6 and lemma 7, hence we give no proof of it.

Lemma 8. (1) $h(H'''(k_0)) = H'''(k_1)$ as germs at 0.

(2) $h(C'''(k_0)) = C'''(k_1)$ as germs at 0.

(3) For any real numbers $u^0 (\geq 0)$, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0 sufficiently close to zero, $h(C'''(k_0) \cap P'''(k_0)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0))) = C'''(k_1) \cap P'''(k_1)^{-1}(h'(0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0))$ as germs at 0.

(4) For any germ of continuous curve $q(t)$ at any point $p = (x, y, 0, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}, w_1, \dots, w_{p-4}) \in C'''(k_0)$ (resp. $C'''(k_1)$) in $H'''(k_0)$ (resp. $H'''(k_1)$), $P'''(k_0)$ (resp. $P'''(k_1)$) maps $q(t)$ to a germ of continuous curve at $(0, 0, 0, u^2 + v_1^2, w_1, \dots, w_{p-4}) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ in $\{(0, Y, Z, U, W_1, \dots, W_{p-4}) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and $\pi \circ P'''(k_0)(q(t))$ (resp. $\pi \circ P'''(k_1)(q(t))$) is a germ of continuous curve at $(0, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ in $\{(0, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$ and this germ of curve has a tangent line at $(0, 0, 0)$, where $\pi : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is a natural projection

$$(X, Y, Z, U, W_1, \dots, W_{p-4}) \mapsto (X, Y, Z).$$

As $C'''(k_0) \cap P'''(k_0)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0))$ is a space $\sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$ if $u^0 > 0$, the restriction of the homeomorphism h to $\sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$ maps $\sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$ to $\sqrt{\widetilde{u}^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{\widetilde{u}^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$, where $\widetilde{u}^0 = h'_4(0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0)$.

Definition. In the space $\sqrt{c} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{c} \cdot S^{n-p} = \{(x, y, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-p+3} \mid x^2 + y^2 = u^2 + v_1^2 = \text{constant } c (> 0)\}$, the spaces $\{(x, y, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-p+3} \mid x = \text{const.}, y = \text{const.}\}$, $\{(x, y, u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-p+3} \mid u, v_1, \dots, v_{n-p} : \text{const.}\}$ are called longitude spheres, meridian circles respectively.

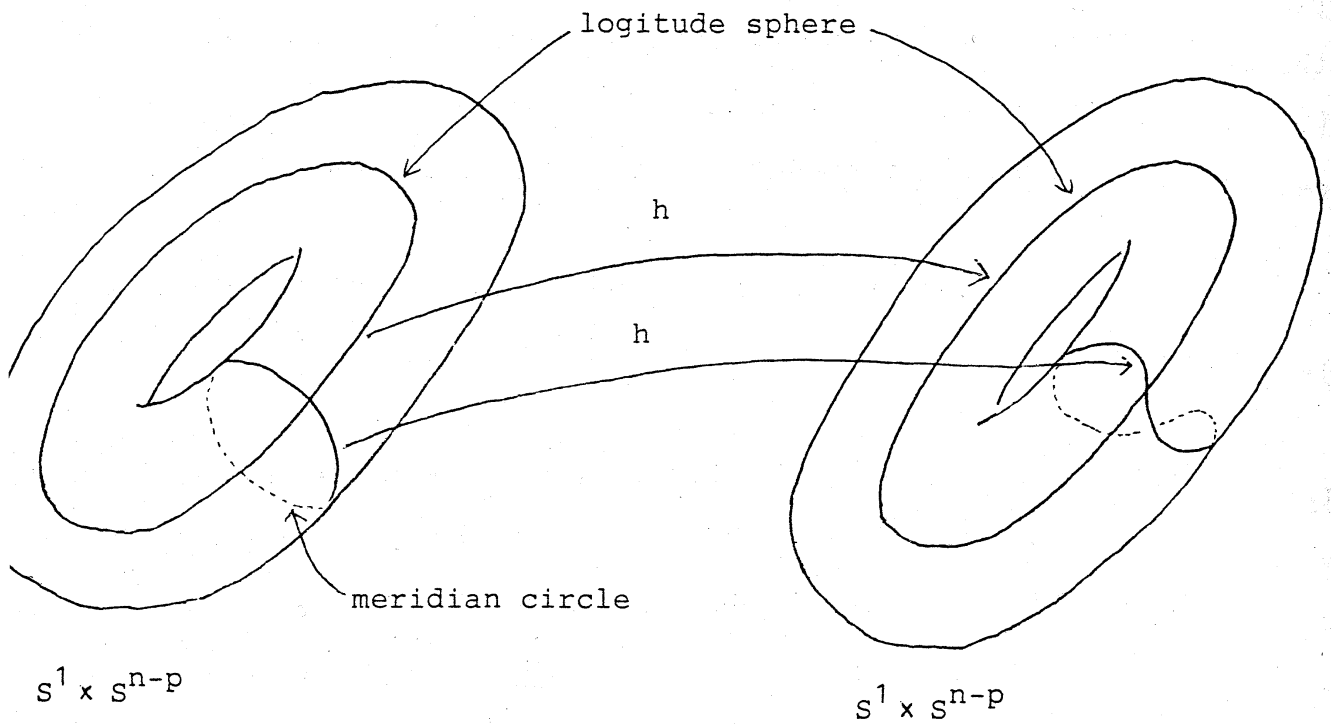
To conclude the proof in case (III), we need the following lemma.

Lemma 9. In each $C'''(k_0) \cap P'''(k_0)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0)) = \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$ for $u^0 (> 0)$ close to zero, each longitude sphere is mapped to a longitude sphere in

$C'''(k_1) \cap P'''(k_1)^{-1}(h'((0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0))) = \sqrt{\widetilde{u}^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{\widetilde{u}^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$ by the restriction of the homeomorphism h of the source space.

Proof of lemma 9. We take any germ of continuous curve $q(t)$ at $(0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0)$ in $\{(0, y, z, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0) \in \mathbb{R}^p\}$ which has a tangent line at $(0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0)$. Then $P'''(k_0)^{-1}(q(t))$ is homeomorphic to $S^{n-p} \times I$ with a certain longitude sphere in $H'''(k_0)$ as its center, where I is an open interval.

If the inverse image of this longitude sphere by the homeomorphism h of the source space is not a longitude sphere, then $P'''(k_1)(h^{-1}(P'''(k_0)^{-1}(q(t)))$ is not a germ of continuous curve at $h'(0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0)$. This is a contradiction to the commutativity $P'''(k_0) = (h')^{-1} \circ P'''(k_1) \circ h$ with homeomorphisms h, h' . \square



(FIGURE II)

By this lemma 9, we have the following.

Lemma 10. For any $C'''(k_0) \cap P'''(k_0)^{-1}((0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0))$
 $= \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^1 \times \sqrt{u^0} \cdot S^{n-p}$ for any positive number u^0 close to zero,
the image of any meridian circle by the restriction of homeo-
morphism h is isotopic to any meridian circle in
 $C'''(k_1) \cap P'''(k_1)^{-1}(h'(0, 0, 0, u^0, w_1^0, \dots, w_{p-4}^0))$ by an isotopy
with (x, y)-coordinates preserving.

Now lemma 8 and lemma 10 yield a contradiction to
 Van Kampen's theorem as same as we see in case (I) and (II).

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